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PATENT APPLICATION
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APPLICANTS: Tang et al.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the April 16, 2001, Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application, Applicants Group II, claims 10-11 and 20-21 drawn to polypeptides. In response to the sequence election requirement, Applicants elect SEQ ID NO:2. Applicants make this election without prejudice to pursuing non-elected subject matter in later applications.

The response is due on or before August 16, 2001 with a three-month extension of time. A petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21272-006CIP2 (Formerly 78491CIP2).

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